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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Discussion on LR 273 through LR 281? There being no lights, the question is the adoption of LR 273, LR 274, LR 275, LR 276, LR 277, LR 278, LR 279, LR 280, and LR 281. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 mays, Mr. President, on the adoption of LR 273, LR 274, LR 275, LR 276, LR 277, LR 278, LR 279, LR 280, and LR 281.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Resolutions are agreed to. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. As we now draw this session to a close, it's appropriate for us to begin the process of winding down the Legislature. I hope that the staff and employees of the Legislature will pause for just a moment, because all of us would like to take this opportunity, as members of the Legislature, to recognize and to thank the people who really make this institution work on a day-to-day basis: certainly the staff who is at the front of our Chamber -- Pat, Dick, Vickie, and Carol -- we appreciate your work and those of the people in the Clerk's Office; our individual senator's staff, the committee staff, who day in and day out are not here on the front lines in front of the camera but do so much of the work in the offices and help us tremendously; the Bill Drafters and the technicians who make sure the legislation we pass is technically correct, they won't vouch for its soundness; the Fiscal Office and the analysts; the support staff; the Bill Room clerks: transcribers; our computer technologists; the "Unicameral Update" staff, who help educate the state; the Legislative Office, their researchers and librarians; the Accounting Division; our Legislative Coordinator and Assistant Coordinator; our Sergeant of Arms; our Pages; and also our presiding officer, the Lieutenant Governor. Members, I wish you would join with me in thanking all these people for (Applause) I also wanted to include the their hard work. Speaker's staff because they do all the work that occurs here day in and day out from my office and I show up in the morning and they do most all of it. It's been a very productive